

## JULY 10, 2022 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## CLUSTERED CATHOLIC PARISHES OF THE ALLEGHANY HIGHLANDS

### SACRED HEART CHURCH

255 W. Main St (office - 214 W. Locust St.) Covington, VA 24426 540-962-6541 <u>sacredheartcovington.org</u> Mass Schedule: Sunday 11:00 AM

### **ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**

620 Jefferson Ave. Clifton Forge, VA 24422 540-863-5371 <u>stjosephcf.org</u> Mass Schedule: Sunday 9:00 AM

#### SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART

1499 Shady Ln. (P.O. Box 38) Hot Springs, VA 24445 540-839-2603 <u>shrineofthesacredheartparish.org</u> Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 9:00 AM

## Fr. Augustine Lukenge, Administrator 434-755-1208

# Fr. Tom Collins, Retired Priest In-Residence

## 540-588-8492

# Fr. Dan Kelly, Retired Priest In-Residence

## 434-270-6037

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions are available before each Mass at all churches.

#### **Sacrament of Matrimony:**

In order for a Catholic to enter a sacramentally valid marriage, he/she must respect and follow the Church's discipline regarding this sacrament. Call the parish office for specific information. Normally, about six months should be allowed to prepare for this sacred covenant. Parish registration is necessary.

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation:**

Students are required to be registered in the parish & be participating in the parish Rel. Ed. Program. Confirmation classes are separate and obligatory.

#### Sacrament of Baptism:

Parents are required to attend one Baptism preparation class (seminar). Baptism is celebrated within the weekend Mass. Call the parish offices for a seminar date.

## Today's Gospel

You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." Luke 10:25-37

# CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

#### St. Joseph Parish 540-863-5371

Office Hours: Call for appointment				
In Emergency	Fr. Lukenge	434-755-1208		
Council Chair	Paul Cormier	540-968-6410		
Vice Chair	Libby Burger	540-691-6618		
Secretary	Mary Asma	540-965-5551		
Worship	Paul Cormier	540-968-6410		
Community Life	Kathy Smestad	540-862-5333		
Justice & Peace	Mary Asma	540-965-5551		
Grds&Maint.	<b>Bob Gardiner</b>	540-863-9452		

#### Sacred Heart Parish 540-962-6541

#### **Office Hours: Call for appointment**

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In Emergency	Fr. Lukenge	434-755-1208	
Council Chair	Mark Taylor	540-968-1183	
Vice Chair	Greg Kristoff	540-962-8900	
Secretary	Zelpha Withrow	540-962-2181	
Worship	Tom O'Doherty	540-962-6795	
Community Life	Alvina Nida	540-747-2211	
Justice & Peace	John Stec	540-862-1917	
Grds&Maint.	Ron Brunetti	540-962-1565	
K of C Contact	Tom O'Doherty	540-962-6795	

#### Shrine of the Sacred Heart Parish 540-839-2603

#### Office Hours: Call for appointment

In Emergency	Fr. Lukenge	434-755-1208
Council Chair	Herb Godschalk	540-255-3690
Vice Chair	Beth Eley	646-842-1555
Secretary	Sue Godschalk	540-255-2499
Worship	Eileen Judah	540-968-6409
Community Life	Deborah Lambert	540- 468-3438
Justice & Peace	Tom Misiak	540-997-1478
Grds&Maint.	Louis Pokrywka	540-925-2413



Please pray for our Military Men & Women:

**Chank you for** 

your support!

<u>Sacred Heart</u> – Arthur Headley, Jessie (Jesus) Morals, Joel Moscoso St. <u>Joseph</u> – Michael Buchanan, Joshua Crawford, Andy Shepard

## **PRAYER LIST**

#### <u>St. Joseph</u>

Clair Dilley, Bob Gardiner, Tom Greenwood, Rita Luther, Marie Martin, Sally Putnam.

#### Sacred Heart

Pam Austin, Natalie Austin, Josephine Brown, Mack Brown, Montana Brown, Tom Callaham, Wanda Callaham, Robert Childs, Jay Ewing, Tony Forbes, Ken Headley, Marcella Jordan, John Misorek, Michael Rybka, John Stec, Maureen Stec, Tara Steinmecz and Baby Emma, Thomas Wade, Dave Wenke, Stanley Young

#### Shrine of the Sacred Heart

Margaret Fields, Dorothy Miller, Bill and Molly Sasser, John W. Smith, Clarissa Westenburger



### WEEKLY DONATIONS BUDGETED NEEDS: \$1400.00

St. Joseph				
Sunday Offertory	\$670.00			
Roof Fund	200.00			
Votive	20.00			
Sacred Heart				
Sunday Offertory	\$2,974.00			
Various 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collections	75.00			
Shrine of the Sacred Heart Sunday Offertory \$2,221.75				

# CALENDAR

#### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph – 12NOON Tuesday and Thursday 11:30AM Wednesday and 12NOON Friday at Sacred Heart \*(10:45AM Friday, Holy Hour with Benediction at Sacred Heart)

First Saturday Mass will be celebrated at Sacred Heart in honor of the Blessed Mother: 9:00AM Rosary and Litany of the Blessed Mother followed by Mass.

Contact Fr. Tom (540-588-8492) to schedule a time for weekday Mass at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart.

# WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

Jesus answers this question with a parable about a person who should be an enemy but who demonstrates compassion.

Samaritans were foreigners who had moved into Israel several centuries before Jesus. They were allies of the Assyrians who had conquered the country. They commandeered not only the land of the Israelites but even many of their religious institutions. The bitterness between the two peoples only grew aggravated in the following centuries.

Both the Jewish priest and the Levite (a temple aide) avoid the apparently dead victim. They would become ritually impure by touching a corpse. This would prevent them from doing their religious duties.

The hated Samaritan has no such obligations and shows true love for the injured stranger. There are still a small number of Samaritans left in Palestine.

# NOTICES

Sara Belle Worsham would like to thank all who offered prayers for her infant great granddaughter, Henslee Faulkenberry. She is doing well now and has been taken off the prayer list. Thank you so much.

#### FORMED

#### THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND

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2. Enter: Sacred Heart, Covington, VA

3. Enter your name and email

After you are registered, visit FORMED.org and click "Sign In", just enter your email and click the link in your email. You'll be signed in on that device and no more passwords.

One of the surest ways to progress in our spiritual lives is to reflect through an Examination of Conscience regularly. Considering our sins and shortcomings can feel uncomfortable. Yet, our poverty draws God to fill our emptiness with his abundant mercy.

Many Catholics use an Examination of Conscience to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation or in their nightly routine. Calling to mind moments of selfishness or impatience reminds us how we must rely entirely on God's grace and turn to him in repentance. Amen now offers versions of the Examination of Conscience specific to individuals in different states of life: <u>children</u>, <u>young adults</u>, <u>single</u> <u>people</u>, and <u>married persons</u>. Let each examen invite you to a renewed commitment to holiness. GET THE AMEN APP.

Your generosity during your lifetime has enabled your parish to serve the people of God in this community. Continue to be part of this community by making a bequest in your will.

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

DAILY READINGS		VOCATIONS
Sun. July 10	Deuteronomy 30: 10-14; Psalms 69: 14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37; Colossians 1: 15- 20; John 6: 63c, 68c; Luke 10: 25-37	"What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Faithfulness to one's vocation is essential to holiness. Is yours to be a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-
Mon. July 11	Isaiah 1: 10-17; Psalms 50: 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Matthew 5: 10; Matthew 10: 34 – 11: 1	359-5661 e-mail: vocations @richmonddiocese.org.
Tues. July 12	Isaiah 7: 1-9; Psalms 48: 2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8; Psalms 95: 8; Matthew 11: 20-24	
Wed. July 13	Isaiah 10: 5-7, 13b-16; Psalms 94: 5-6, 7- 8, 9-10, 14-15; Matthew 11: 25; Matthew 11: 25-27	Now drails
Thurs. July 14	Isaiah 26: 7-9, 11, 16-19; Psalms 102: 13- 14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21; Matthew 11: 28; Matthew 11: 28-30	a Lord your
Fri. July 15	Isaiah 38: 1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Isaiah 38: 10, 11, 12abcd, 16; John 10: 27; Matthew 12: 1-8	A State State
Sat. July 16	Micah 2: 1-5; Psalms 10: 1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14; 2 Corinthians 5: 19; Matthew 12: 14-21	THIS COMMAND IS ALREADY IN YOUR HEART
Sun. July 17	Genesis 18: 1-10a; Psalms 15: 2-3ab, 3cd- 4, 5; Colossians 1: 24-28; Luke 8: 15; Luke 10: 38-42	LILKENDA IA GOOK LIENY

# **BE A GOOD SAMARITAN**

In today's Gospel passage, from Luke, we read the well-known parable of the Good Samaritan. Here, Jesus teaches us in rich detail what stewardship in action looks like. In fact, this parable could just as accurately be called the parable of the Good Steward.

The first thing we note about the Good Samaritan is that he is aware of the needs of those around him and responds generously. While the priest and Levi brush right past the man on the side of the road, the Samaritan is watching for those who might be in need. He has a hospitable way of looking at the world around him and so he is able to "see" in a way that the others did not, and he was "moved with compassion at the sight" of the man.

Next, we see the Good Samaritan spring into action to serve this man, setting aside his own schedule and plans to meet his needs. He does not just give the man a few dollars or offer quick words of encouragement from across the road. He goes right up to the man. He cleans and bandages his wounds. He puts the man on his own animal and brings him to an inn where he can heal. He ensures the innkeeper would continue to look after him, and he commits to returning to the man on his way back.

That is how we live out God's commandments. That is true hospitality and service. That is how a good steward springs into action when he comes upon a neighbor in need. And Jesus says to each of us personally, just as He did in today's Gospel, "Go and do likewise.